# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# TEXTILES
# LOK SABHA

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SILK PROJECTS
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**Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:**

(a) the States and areas of the country in which Centrally Sponsored Silk Projects for Silk Industries were launched and implemented during each year of Tenth Five Year Plan and the current year, State-wise;

(b) the extent of success made under these projects during the said period,State-wise;and

(c) the funds allocated,released and spent on each project during the said period, State-wise and year-wise?

## Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN)

(a):The Central Silk Board(CSB) has formulated a Centrally Sponsored Project "Catalytic Development Programme (CDP)" and launched the same during the IX Plan to encourage the States to increase productivity and quality of silk. The programme was continued during X Plan period with certain modifications by giving greater thrust to Bivoltine sericulture and market orientation to non mulberry sector.The programme is also continued during the XI Plan with some modifications along with certain new initiatives.This CDP project is implemented in the country in the following areas/States:

(i) Traditional States: Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka,Tamilnadu, West Bengal and J&K.

(ii) Non- Traditional Bihar,Chattisgarh,Himachal Pradesh, States including Jharkhand, Maharashtra,Gujrat,Orissa, North Eastern Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh,Uttaranchal, States: Punjab,Kerala,Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya,Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim and Tripura.

(b):During the IX and X Five Year Plans,CDP had made steady progress in terms of coverage of geographical area under sericulture,involvement of all categories of farmers and introduction of technology.The IX plan focused largely on supporting stakeholders in Sericulture sector ranging from food plant cultivation to marketing of products.In the X Plan (2002-07) the focus of CDP was widened by creating greater opportunities for gainful employment in rural areas through the spread of scientific sericultural practices creating farm infrastructures like rearing houses, drip irrigation etc.at farmers level promoting modernization and quality up-gradation of the industry,bestowing special attention to the improvement of productivity in all stages of silk production to ensure higher levels of income to the stakeholders,especially the vulnerable sections of the society.

During X Plan period,the evaluation study to ascertain the success made under CDP shows that the Catalytic Developmental Schemes implemented by CSB in the States have made a positive impact not only in terms of increased quantity of cocoons but also the improved quality of cocoons,both in the Mulberry as well as the non-Mulberry sectors.

During XI Plan, support under CDP is provided as packages for seed sector, cocoon sector and post cocoon sector.The packages under seed sector cover support for seed production under Public and Private sectors.The package under cocoon sector supports component for food plant development,BV Silk production,supply of rearing equipments,construction of rearing houses, chowki rearing centres,supply of disinfectants,insurance coverage etc. Components under post-cocoon sector provide support for silk reeling, spinning,weaving, processing,product development and marketing.

(c):The State-wise and year-wise details of fund allocated/ released and spent by CSB on implementation of CDP during each year of the X Plan period (2002 to 2007) and also during the first two years (2007-08 & 2008-09) of the XI Plan are furnished in Annexure enclosed.